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Above, students from Riverside School in Lyndonville dance around the Equinox artwork created by a Burlington woman located in Stanstead, Que., during a celebration of fall with Stanstead College students Friday. The students from both sides of the border commemorated the occasion, below, by burying a time capsule full of local artifacts that is scheduled to be opened in 20 years. (Photo — Christopher Roy)



# U.S., Canadian Students Fete Equinox, Bury Time Capsule

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Special To The Express

STANSTEAD, Que. — Even though the Fall Equinox didn't start until Saturday morning over a hundred students from the United States and Canada celebrated it a little early by gathering here at the Colby-Curtis museum Friday afternoon for the museum's third annual celebration of the Equinox.

The students, who came were from Stanstead College and Riverside School in Lyndonville, the purpose of the event was so Lyndonville students could celebrate the Equinox by dancing and singing under an art piece created by Burlington resident Kate Pond. It represents the Equinox and it casts a special shadow only during the day of the Equinox. They also came so the two schools could celebrate the Equinox together.

The students along with museum

staff also buried a 20-year Time Capsule under Pond's artwork. It's contents includes a copy of the 150th anniversary of the areas local newspaper, The Stanstead Journal, and letters from a student at Stanstead College, museum staff, and Pond. A special sealed letter from museum President Pierre Cabana was also included and won't be opened and read until the 20-year capsule is opened.

Artifacts, painted rocks and special notes were among some of the other items of interest that was put in the capsule.

Museum staff, Stanstead College, Riverside School and Essex Junction school students and staff also donated to the capsule.

Cabana, who opened the event and welcomed everyone, stated, "Welcome we're very, very happy to have you all together today." Cabana went on to thank the Riverside students for their singing

and dancing performance. He also thanked Pond's husband, Fred Stetson, who came representing his wife because she was at home ill. He thanked the media from both countries for coming as well as various other people.

Stetson also donated his "friends" - a pair of boots that he says he had had since 1965. He said that he owned them before he went into the army and they even went to Vietnam with him. The reason he buried them here, he said, was because his National Guard outfit trains and participates in Canada

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during during exercises.

Joni Price, 7th grader from Riverside, said she thought it was "Cool!" When asked how she felt that the things she was seeing today would not be seen until the year 2015, maybe when she has her own family. Conrad Hertz, also in the 7th grade at Riverside, said he felt great and probably will come back in 20 years to see the opening. Sixth grade student Nina Berryman said she felt "Happy."

Most of the students from Riverside felt the same way. Dan Wilson noted, "It is very historical and people can learn from this."

On the other side of the line, most of the Stanstead students felt the same way. Stanstead College 8th grade student Silvia Sanchez, who is from Australia said she feels excited. Matthew Gangnier said he felt nervous, because when he comes back in 20 years, his family may think that some of the things are "ugly". Lesley Cameron noted that she felt it should be a little

longer, maybe a hundred years, because she felt that technology will change, but not by much.

Veronik R. Simard echoed the same that it should be longer, like a hundred years.

Each person that was present also had an opportunity to dig one shovel full of dirt for the hole in which the capsule will be buried, with Cabana starting the first official shovel full.

The ceremonies concluded with everyone being invited in 20-years and excavating the capsule.